कल्याण मंत्री (श्री सीताराम केसरी) : (क) अनुसूचित जाति और अनुसूचित जनजाति की मौजूदा सूचियों में समुदायों को शामिल करने के लिए राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों/संगठनों/संघों/संसद-सदस्यों/विधान सभा सदस्यों और व्यक्तियों आदि से बड़ी संख्या में अभ्यावेदन, सिफारिशें/सुझाव निरन्तर प्राप्त होते रहते हैं।

(ख) चूंकि अनुसूचित जातियों की विद्यमान सूचियों में कोई भी संशोधन संविधान के अनुच्छेद 341(2) के अंतर्गत केवल संसद के अधिनियम द्वारा ही किया जा सकता है, अतः कोई निश्चित समय नहीं बताया जा सकता है।

Conference of Chief Ministers on reservation for SEBCs

1643. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI :
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :
SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA :
SHRI SOM PAL :
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS :
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Conference of the Chief Ministers/Governors, Lt. Governors was convened to evolve an acceptable economic criteria for the reservation of jobs for socially and educationally backward classes (SEBCs) and other economically backward sections of people ;

(b) whether the conference failed to reach any consensus or formulate ;

(c) if so, what were the views expressed in the conference ; and

(d) in what manner Government propose to resolve this important issue ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) A Conference of Chief Ministers/Governors (of States under the President's Rule) and Lt. Governors was convened on 10th April, 1992 by the Prime Minister to determine the economic criteria for identifying poorer sections among Socially and Educationally Backward Classes and other economically Backward sections not covered by any existing scheme of reservation in the context of reservation in civil posts and services under Government of India to be filled through direct recruitment.

(b) Diverse views were expressed by the States.

(c) Bihar and Tamil Nadu were not agreeable to the application of the economic criteria for SEBCs for reservation in civil posts and services to be filled through direct recruitment under the Central Government. West Bengal was agreeable to reservation based on economic criteria but not on the basis of social and educational backwardness.

(d) A decision will be arrived at after careful consideraton.

Karnataka's request for financing of irrigation projects

@ 1643-A. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD : **Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :**

(a) whether it is a fact that Karnataka Government had requested for financing of irrigation projects of national importance and if so, what are the details of the proposals received, indicating by when this was received and what is its present position ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that permission was sought for issue of bonds for rising the needed funds ; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) to (c) Requests were made by the Government of Karnataka in May, 1990

@ Previously Unstarred Question 747 transferred from 5th May, 1992.